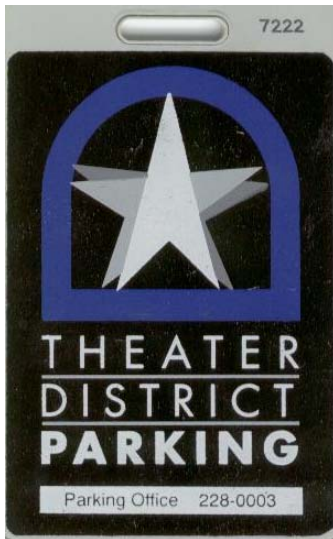



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Election Day	5
Anne Murray Performs at Jones Hall	9
Veteran's Day	11
Wortham Christmas Tree Lighting	27
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Don't forget to check our office for books on tape!	

Access Card Usage

Each **Access Card** holder must use their cards in the proper sequence to ensure that they do not have a difficult time either entering or exiting the garage.

Access cards are designed to be used in an in-out, in-out sequence only and will not work if used out of this sequence.

If for any reason an entrance or exit gate is up when you approach the gate, it is imperative that you go ahead and scan your **access card** to keep it in the proper sequence.

By contract, any **Access Card** holder whose card is out of sequence when they attempt to enter or exit the garage, will be required to pay the appli-

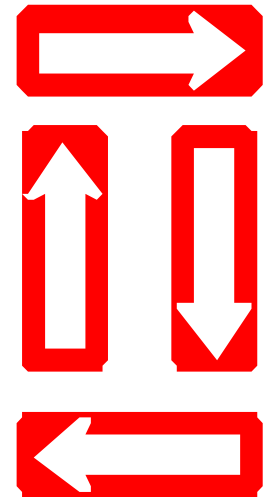
cable rate.

Another recurring problem that seems to befall our **Access Card** holders is forgetting their **access cards**. When this occurs, the **Access Card** holder must take a ticket from the dispenser and bring it by the parking office, which is located on the green level of the Civic Center garage, for validation. This validation will allow the **Access Card** holder to exit the garage without paying the daily rate.

A non-validated ticket at the exit booth will result in having to pay the daily applicable rate as stated in your contract agreement.

If you have any questions

or concerns about the proper way to use your **access card**, please do not hesitate to call our parking office for clarification at 713-236-5775.



Parade will cause street closings

The **Theater District Parking Garage** will be the parking focal point for the upcoming Veteran's Day Parade.

All **Access Card** holders should be aware that there will be street and

entrance/exit closures during this event.

The Veteran's Day Parade will take place on November 11 and is scheduled to start at 11:30 a.m. However, there are many pre-

parade activities starting around 9 a.m. which will cause the streets around the garage to be blocked.

Access Card holders are encouraged to get to the garage early and stay parked all day.

'The Nutcracker' returns

The Nutcracker, which has been a favorite in Houston since the 1940s will return to the Cullen Theater at Wortham Center beginning on November 29.

The ballet, which runs through December 29, is touted by the Houston Ballet as "Texas' most joyous holiday gift."

Houston Ballet first presented *The Nutcracker* thirty years ago on December 28, 1972, at Jones Hall. It was the company's first full-length production, and featured choreography by Frederic Franklin and design by Peter Farmer. The company gave six performances in 1972. That

number has increased to 31 in 2002. Over 50,000 thousand people have experienced Houston Ballet's *The Nutcracker* since the premier of the company's new production in 1987. Last year, the production grossed over \$2 million dollars in revenue for the organization, which is 25% of the company's earned income for the year.

The Nutcracker tells the story of Clara and her magical nutcracker doll. One Christmas Eve, the mysterious Dr. Drosselmeyer arrives at the Stalhbaum family's Christmas party and presents Clara with a special gift: a wooden nutcracker. After the party, as the clock strikes

midnight, Clara awakens to find the room filled with giant mice. The nutcracker comes to her rescue and a fierce battle ensues as the nutcracker leads the toy soldiers against the mice and their leader, King Rat. The nutcracker overcomes King Rat, and then is transformed into a handsome prince. The nutcracker prince then takes Clara on a magical journey.

For more information about *The Nutcracker*, you can call the Houston Ballet's office at 713-227-ARTS.

Just the FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions)

Q: What if my vehicle has a flat tire or a dead battery? What can I do?

A: You can go to any emergency phone located throughout the garage and inform the security office that you need assistance. They will send someone to you with our battery charger or electric air pump.

Q: What is the official clearance of each entrance of the Theater District Parking Garage?

A: The official clearance of our garage is 6 feet, 8 inches. We would recommend calling the parking office with any questions about clearance at 713-236-5775.

Q: Where is the parking office located and what are your hours of operation?

A: The parking office is located on the green level (entrance #1 off Rusk Street), and our hours of operation are from 7am to 10pm seven days a week.

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